

2006 Inland Sweep Annual Report

The 18th annual Beach Sweep River Sweep statewide clean up occurred on September 16, 2006 from 9am-12pm. Weather conditions across the state were warm and favorable for the event. In most places the water levels allowed suitable access. For the inland portions of the state, site captains in 29 counties reported holding Sweep events.** 63 sites were registered by site captains and, of those, data were received for 47 sites for a response rate of 75%. A response was considered to be a communication from the site captain regarding the number of volunteers, amount of trash collected (either by weight or bags), and approximate miles covered. Data from the event are presented below in several tables. If you have further questions, please contact

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**Please note that the numbers below do not include the many coastal sites and volunteers coordinated by Coastal Coordinator Susan Ferris Hill of SC Sea Grant Consortium. The coastal numbers are available upon request by telephone (843-727-2078) or www.scseagrant.org.

2006 Quick Facts

Number of counties in South Carolina	29
with cleanups reported, inland BSRS	
Reported volunteers, inland BSRS	2,026
Reported waterbodies cleaned as a	40 waterbodies cleaned by 47 reported cleanups
result of inland BSRS	
Estimated trash bags used	2,614 bags
Estimated pounds of litter and debris	43,433 lbs
removed from South Carolina	
waterways	
Estimated miles cleaned	429 miles

2006 Top Ten

Approximately 62% of site captains who reported their cleanup results returned volunteer data cards that categorized trash, litter, and debris collected. This valuable information helped us compile the 2006 Top Ten, a listing of the most common litter collected in, on, or around our inland waterways by Beach Sweep River Sweep volunteers.

1.	Cigarettes, filters	3020
2.	Beverage containers – cans	2246
3.	Beverage containers – plastic	1840
4.	Beverage containers – glass	1515
5.	Bags	849
6.	Food wrappers	833
7.	Caps and lids	784
8.	Bait containers	527
9.	Cups, plates	412
10.	Building materials	185

2006 Unusual Items:

seat belt
stove grill
cooler
propane tank
shopping cart
golf club
fire extinguisher
painter's jumpsuit
television
pitchfork
grill
basketball hoop
pacifier
radio boombox

2006 Site Captain Reported Information by County

Information presented below was gathered using Beach Sweep River Sweep data cards completed by participants on the day of the event and mailed to the inland coordinator as well as site captain reports submitted by email or telephone after the event. Cumulative figures presented as totals represent a reasonable estimate of citizen participation, litter collected, and miles covered.

There are limited data for coastal counties presented here; however, as noted above, the numbers below do not include the many coastal sites and volunteers coordinated by the Coastal Coordinator, Susan Ferris Hill of the SC Sea Grant Consortium. Figures for the coastal counties including Beaufort, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, Georgetown, Horry, and Jasper are available from the SC Sea Grant Consortium.

COUNTIES	Sites signed up	Sites reported	Volunteers	Lbs	Miles	Trash bags	Waterbodies
Abbeville	0						
Aiken	1	0					South Fork Edisto River
Allendale	0						
Anderson *	2	2	1,184	23,076	308	1260	Hartwell Lake*
Bamberg	1	1	3	1,000	6	20	Edisto River
Barnwell	1	1	8	225	0.25	15	Salkehatchie River
Beaufort	0						COASTAL
Berkeley	2	2	17	1110	25.25	74	Cooper River, Lake Moultrie
Calhoun	0						
Charleston	4	2	76	1300	3	105	Folly River, Wando River, Cooper River
Cherokee	2	2	14	925	1	63	Lake Cherokee, Broad River
Chester	0						
Chesterfield	1	1	5	165	2	11	Lake Juniper, Juniper Creek
Clarendon	1	1	41	360	3	24	Lake Marion
Colleton	0						COASTAL
Darlington	2	1	5	675	1.5	45	Dargan's Pond, Louthers Lake, Black Creek
Dillon	1	1	1	150	0.25	10	Little Pee Dee River
Dorchester	2	1	13	300	1.25	21	Ashley River
Edgefield	0		10	000	1.20		/ torney revol
Fairfield	2	2	23	2775	20.5	185	Lake Wateree
Florence	1	1	19	230	1	42	Jeffries Creek
Georgetown	3	3	20	345	3	24	Black River, Waccamaw River
Greenville	2	2	45	3250	3.5	118	Reedy River
Greenwood	0						

Hampton	1	1	27	600	1	40	Lake Warren
Horry	2	1	9	120	3	12	Waccamaw River
Jasper	1	0					Euhaw Creek
Kershaw	1	0					Lake Wateree
							Andrew Jackson SP
Lancaster	2	1	18	68	3	8	Lake, Lake Wateree
Laurens	1	1	125	313	1	15	Bush River
Lee	1	1	6	5	0.5	1	Lynches River
							Saluda River, Lake
							Murray, Congaree
Lexington	5	3	64	470	6.5	60	River
							Great Pee Dee
							River, Little Pee Dee
Marion	2	0					River
Marlboro	0						
McCormick	1	1	18	500	3	32	Lake Thurmond
Newberry	1	1	23	185	5	12	Broad River
							Chattooga River,
				400	_	400	Chauga River, Lake
Oconee	2	1	57	460	5	120	Hartwell
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Orangeburg	3	3	9	748	10	39	River, Lake Marion
							Lake O'Olenoy,
							Pinnacle Lake, Lake
							Keowee, Twelve Mile River, Lake
Pickens	4	4	28	588	3.75	43	Hartwell
r ickeris		4	20	300	3.73	43	Sesquicentennial SP
							Lake, Gills Creek,
							Congaree River,
							Saluda River, Broad
Richland	6	4	153	3010	6.5	178	River
Saluda	0						
Spartanburg	0						
Sumter	0						
Union	0						
Williamsburg	1	1	5	150	1	15	Black River
York	1	1	10	330	0.25	22	Broad River
State Totals	63	47	2026	43433	429	2614	
COUNTIES	Sites	Sites	Volunteers	Lbs	Miles	Trash	Waterbodies
	signed	reported				bags	
	_	reported				Dags	
	up	<u> </u>					1

^{*} Anderson County is attributed large numbers resulting from extensive cleanup efforts reported for Lake Hartwell organized by park staff of the Corps of Engineers. There was also a large cleanup involving 300 volunteers at Sadler Creek State Park organized by SC State Park staff. The numbers for Anderson County include all Lake Hartwell volunteers, pounds, miles, and bags from Oconee County, Pickens County, and portions of Georgia.

2006 Organizations Participating in the Inland Sweep

Site captains provided information about the organizations they represented or organizations recruited to participate as cleanup volunteers in the 2006 BSRS event. Participating organizations included the following:

Adventure Carolina,

Andrews High School Ecology Club,

Barnwell Lions Club,

Berkeley County Blueways,

Broad Scenic River AC,

Black Scenic River AC,

Chapin High School Science Dept,

City of Greenville and Friends of the Reedy,

Claflin Univ. Friends of Earth,

Columbia High School Key Club,

DHEC-Wateree District,

Friends of Lake Keowee Society,

Girl Scouts,

Guerins Creek Association,

Hagley POA,

Hampton Soil & Water Conservation Dist,

Indian Land Elem/Middle School,

Joe Adair Outdoor Education Center at

Bell Street Middle School,

Keep the Midlands Beautiful,

Lake Wateree Cove Keepers,

Lower Saluda Scenic River AC.

USC Marine Science Graduate Society,

Mariners Cove Yacht Club,

National Audubon Society,

Scout Pack 327,

Scout Pack 111.

Scout Troop 521,

Palmetto Paddlers,

Palmetto Parrot Heads,

Palmetto Watercraft Association,

Saluda Shoals Park,

Santee Cooper,

SCDNR,

SCPRT - Table Rock State Park,

Sadler Creek SP, Sesquicentennial SP,

Cheraw SP.

Sierra Club,

Sierra Club - Pee Dee Group,

The Inn at Middleton Place,

US Army Corps of Engineers,

US Forest Service,

VFW Post #10980,

Western Carolina Regional Sewer

Authority,

Wateree HOA,

West Oak High School JROTC,

White Knoll HS Nat'l Art Honor Society,

Williamsburg Chamber of Commerce